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JOINT INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

A large number of Odd Fellows and their families gathered at Odd Fellows hall last Friday evening to witness the joint installation of the officers of Mt. Abraham Lodge No. 31, I. O. O. F., and Sunset Rebekah Lodge, No. 64, the installing officers using the new form of joint installation, the officers of both lodges being installed at the same time.

The installing officers were D. D. G. M. Herbert Rich and G. M. Theodore Frost of Norway, and D. D. P. Lella Starbird and G. M. Mrs. Irving Andrews of South Paris. They were assisted by members of the local lodges. The work was done in a very able and impressive manner.

After the installation a short program consisting of readings by Miss Carrie Wright and Miss Gwendolyn Godwin, and several orchestral selections by Herriek's Orchestra was enjoyed. Supper, consisting of oyster stew, coffee, cake and doughnuts was served by the committee in charge.

The following officers will serve Mt. Abraham Lodge for the coming year: Noble Grand—A. H. Gibbs Vice Grand—C. O. Demeritt Secretary—D. M. Forbes Treasurer—C. K. Fox

Warden—Arthur Morgan Conductor—E. H. Smith Chaplain—J. S. Hutchins I. G.—Herman Mason S. G.—Arthur Herriek R. S. N. G.—W. F. Clark L. S. N. G.—A. C. Frost R. S. V. G.—Jasper Cates L. S. V. G.—H. T. Sawin R. S. S.—H. D. Hastings L. S. S.—Albert Heath

Officers for Sunset Rebekah Lodge for the coming year:

Noble Grand—Gertrude Boyker Vice Grand—Olive Austin Rec. Sec.—Emily Forbes Fin. Sec.—Ada Packard Treasurer—Cleo Russell Warden—Beatrice Brown Conductor—Lilla Morgan Chaplain—Mrs. Jasper Cates I. G.—Mallinda Smith O. G.—Jasper Cates R. S. N. G.—Saskia Plais L. S. N. G.—Harriet Hall R. S. V. G.—Maud Bean L. S. V. G.—Bernice Heath

S. OF U. V. INSTALLATION

The officers of Col. C. S. Edwards Camp, No. 72, S. of U. V., were very impressively installed last Saturday evening at the Legion Rooms by the retiring Commander, Perry Lapham.

The officers are as follows: Commander—E. H. Smith S. V. C.—Ann Smith L. V. C.—L. A. Sumner Camp Counselor—P. C. Lapham, P. I. C. J. E. Edwards Chaplain—F. D. Merrill Patriotic Instructor—E. A. Herriek Guide—Harry Hutchinson Color Bearer—Alton Hutchinson Sec. Treas.—Carl Brown I. G.—Mallard Clough O. G.—Robert Clough

W. R. C. INSTALLATION

Brown Relief Corps, No. 36, held a public installation on Thursday evening, Jan. 13, and the following officers were installed in a pleasing manner by Past President Alice Willis, with Eva Hastings as conductor for the evening.

President—Lottie Inman S. V. P.—Alice Littlejohn J. V. P.—Evelyn Holt Secretary—Lilly Burbank Treasurer—Ada Austin Chaplain—Lottie Bartlett Guard—Marie Davis Asst. Guard—Samantha Jolley Conductor—Helen Baker Asst. Conductor—Eva Hastings Press Correspondent—Evelyn Foster Patriotic Instructor—Alice Jordan Color Bearer—Grace Swan Color Bearer 2—Alice Plais Color Bearer 3—Lilla Morgan Color Bearer 4—Rose Harvey Musicians—Doris Lord

The Chaplain, Patriotic Instructor and Color Bearer No. 1 were unable to be present.

Miss Willis was presented with a picture, after which the following program was enjoyed:

Herriek's Orchestra Reading, Miss Margaret Glover Piano Solo, Mrs. Boris Lord Vocal Solo, Mrs. Mary Akenshach Piano Solo, Miss Christine Farwell Selections, Herriek's Orchestra

Refreshments were served in the dining room after the program.

Messrs. E. P. Lyon and P. F. Flint attended the Skillington meeting at Lewiston, Friday.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

LOOKS LIKE A BIG STICK

Senator Booth, the Republican Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, has differed with the Administration policy regarding Nicaragua and Mexico. He is not suspected of playing party politics, but the Democratic Senators who have been raising about our foreign policies are. They are charged with attempts to put the President in the hole. In the meantime Mr. Coolidge is pursuing his own program and the way he is going about it lends color to the suspicion that he has found the hiding place where Colonel Roosevelt kept his "big stick."

PROOF THAT HE IS HUMAN

President Coolidge has banished country sausage from his breakfast menu and has substituted fried ham, and it is explained that he has been putting on too much weight.

The news picture bureau that put out a string of pictures of President Coolidge to show that he was beginning to look old and faded out, might have been excused for its indecency except for the fact that the last picture in the group does not even look like the president. If it was a snap of him it certainly is a perverted picture. The writer of this item sees President Coolidge quite often, and can bear personal testimony to the fact that he never looked better than he does now. If he worries he doesn't show it, and if sausage has been the meat that has been thickening him up it is too bad that he is not going to stick to it.

OFFICIAL CONTROL OF BOOZE

Ligeia C. Andrews, head of Federal prohibition enforcement, has been urging Congress to create a privately

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YE MERRIE ROUNDELAY

Two winters ago a group of real music-lovers gathered around the Gehring piano and, with great enthusiasm, really studied difficult parlor songs. A winter's gap came, but on Wednesday evening last, at the sound of the labor or hantay or late, or whatever was used in the olden days, this same group rallied around the two shining "stars" and with added sweet, deep voices sang the beloved songs that in some cases were classics.

The audience was pleased, greatly to its satisfaction, in the lounge around numerous card tables and consisted of those who considered themselves enthusiastic appreciators.

The long buffet table filling the dining room was made attractive by various devices but the center piece gave great dignity and charm to the scene. The large Loving Cup and Silver, given to Dueter and Mrs. Gehring in 1915, was rather a magnificent expression of the love and devotion of Dueter Gehring's patients and as few have known of the beautifully appropriate inscriptions it may interest some friends to have them transcribed, in the order in which they appear upon the three sides:

"Presented to Dueter and Mrs. John George Gehring by

Members of the 'Famile' As

An Expression of Gratitude And Affection

February 12, 1915."

"And let us arise and go up to Bethel and I will make there an altar unto thee, who answered me in the day of my distress and was with me in the way I went. Genesis XXXV."

"More is the due than more than all; can pay" Marketh.

The gay "companion" seated around the long room and the company who have always considered the hard state as a "deserved state," kept the festive spirit quite alive.

Then all adjourned to the music room, where the singers, playing Mr. and Mrs. Akenshach in the midst, listened to a few words from Mrs. Gehring, which brought to mind the beautiful, old-fashioned expression upon the Leader's face as the long train of veiled choir, organized and be held together for years, followed the clear voice into the chapel, or the self forgotten dignity with which the pastor left the pulpit to add the fine tones voice to a section in the choir, both gifted by a strain of the musical inheritance that makes it possible to do easily what others have to work so hard to attain.

Singing to and with them a parting song, the classing group felt the strong hand which such hours held. We shall surely miss the ready helpfulness so generously bestowed through their special gifts by the two we have loved to call "Our Stars." Although shining elsewhere, the memory of the light shed upon us will always be a tender reminder. —M. T. U.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

At the recent annual meeting of Bethel National Bank reports showed the past year to have been somewhat better than the average for business.

While there was no large increase in deposits, the average was larger than the previous year and the net earnings larger.

The regular report of the condition of the bank at the close of business December 31st, 1926, and published as required by law in the January 6th issue of this paper shows the capital and surplus each to be \$25,000.00 and the undivided profits \$30,554.19.

The management has sought to be conservative from the start. The policy has been to add a substantial amount each year to the surplus or undivided profits in order to build up a protective fund to protect the bank against possible losses.

During the little more than twenty years of the bank's life, this fund has accumulated to \$55,554.19 made up of the surplus and undivided profits as given above. This is a little more than an average of \$2,500 each year. While this amount is not large, as a banking consideration, yet for a bank of the size of this one, it seems quite satisfactory and affords an excellent protective fund for the depositors and the stockholders.

The funds held by the bank as investments are worth more than was paid for them, having nearly all appreciated in value which appreciation when and if realized will add to the profits of the bank, but this item is uncertain and represents only paper profits, therefore it cannot be considered actual assets inasmuch as such investments are subject to the fluctuations of the market through a period of years and the apparent appreciation may never be realized.

The actual net earnings for the past year after paying 7 1/2% dividend to the stockholders were carried to the undivided profits and are included in the total of \$55,554.19 given above.

Besides the regular business earnings of the bank, there has been during the past year a profit realized on bonds called for payment of \$469,200 which sum has also been carried to the undivided profits account and is included in said total of \$55,554.19. These profits, however, are unusual and not a part of the regular earnings from the business. The bank was fortunate to have high grade bonds which would show appreciation to that extent.

As all know the bank is required to publish twice or more times each year a statement showing the condition of the bank as made up from the Comptroller's Call, and from this statement the progress of the bank's business and its condition can be followed by anyone interested. In this way the greatest publicity is given to the condition of the National Banks throughout the country.

The bank was organized in 1903, when Eben S. Kilborn was its first president and Seth Walker, vice president. Upon Mr. Kilborn's resignation Mrs. Walker was elected president and Mrs. C. Jordan, vice president. At the death of Mr. Walker in 1921, Mr. Jordan was promoted to the presidency and E. M. Walker elected vice president. Since Mr. Jordan's death last April, the office of president has been vacant, the duties of the office having been performed by the vice president, E. M. Walker, and in his absence by the second vice president, C. R. Fox. This year, Mr. Walker was chosen president and Mr. Fox advanced to the vice president's duties. All the other officers were re-elected with the exception of F. F. Hanson who was elected a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Jordan who was also a director at the time of his decease.

Mr. E. P. Bowen is confined to his home by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Tashell were in Lewiston, Monday.

Mr. W. Hanson's have installed a telephone in their store.

The Van Tel. & Tel. Co. is in need of a girl to learn the telephone operating business.

Trains Change Time

The trains scheduled on the Canadian National effective Sunday, Jan. 2, is as follows:

Sunday—Trains leave for Portland at 8:01 A. M. and 3:07 P. M. For Montreal and Island Pond at 9:09 A. M. and 3:23 P. M.

Daily schedule—Trains leave for Portland at 8:01 A. M. and 3:07 P. M. Leave for Montreal and Island Pond at 9:01 A. M. and 3:23 P. M.

GOULD BASKETBALL TEAMS WIN DOUBLE VICTORY

Boys Take Fast Gorham Normal Team Into Camp In Fast Scoring Contest. Girls Win From South Paris. Score 32 to 9

Gould Academy hung up a 36-20 win Friday night over the fast Gorham Normal basketballers in a fast scoring game. Gorham was apt to indulge in rough play, but was outplayed in every department of the game, and forced to taste defeat.

Gould injected all her substitutes in the last few minutes of play.

The summary:

Gorham Normal	G	FG	Pts
Macomber, Jr.	2	0	4
Conners, Jr.	3	0	6
Jensen, Jr.	4	1	9
Lebeau, Jr.	0	1	2
Hallett, Jr.	0	0	0
Leasard, Jr.	0	0	0
Totals	9	2	20

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Marshall, playing his first game, showed up well in the back guard position, and should develop into a stumbling block for any of Gould's opponents.

Friday, Jan. 21, the Gould boys journey to Norway where the hard task of defeating Norway on their home court awaits them.

In the last two or three years, the officiating at Norway has been rather questionable, but the managements have been corresponding regarding the matter and there should be no trouble along these lines Friday night.

Friday evening, Jan. 14th, the Gould Academy girls were victorious over the South Paris girls in a clean and fast game of basketball. At the end of the first half the score was 6 to 3 in favor of South Paris. Thus it was evident that the Gould girls were not playing to the height of their ability. From the beginning of the second half till the very end of the game they played a quick and level headed game and turned the score 32 to 9 in favor of Gould.

Miss Cummings played a hard and steady game, while Misses Cullen, Cushman and Harlett as defense played an exceptional game, making it impossible for the opponents to score.

South Paris

Miss Cummings	10
Miss Cullen	8
Miss Cushman	6
Miss Harlett	4
Miss Parsons	2
Miss French	1
Miss Marshall	1
Miss Anstine	1
Miss Willard	1
Miss Holmes	1
Miss E. Wheeler	1
Miss Hamlin	1
Miss Willard	1
Miss Anstine	1
Miss Marshall	1
Miss French	1
Miss Parsons	1
Miss Cushman	1
Miss Cullen	1
Miss Cummings	1

Referee, Roy Bates. Time, four eight minutes.

The boys' interclass basketball games, which are held Friday afternoon, proved to be very close and exciting games last week. Three games showed an opportunity for the majority of the boys to school in intense competition, and at the same time, they develop material for the future varsity teams.

"ARE YOU A MASON?"

If you are, your heart is in the right place. If you are not, your heart is in the wrong place. No matter how you are, you are a Mason. No matter how you are, you are a Mason. No matter how you are, you are a Mason.

Remember the many benefits the town has received and are enjoying through the efforts of the Parent-Teacher Association. The gymnasium, equipment, swings, etc. in the play room of both schools and the skating rink. Please of wholesome exercise and fun on the ice and no cause for mothers to worry. Worth something isn't it?

"Are you a Mason?" is to be given under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association, supported by our best local talent and interested citizens.

M. A. Naimy's sale starts Thursday of this week.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Miss Marjorie Farwell was in Lewiston one day last week.

Mr. F. E. Russell is a business visitor in Portland and Augusta.

Mrs. F. E. Donahue has returned from a week's visit in Boston.

Mrs. Fred Aubin is quite ill at her home on Mason Street.

Mrs. Edwin Hutchinson and daughter, Laura, were in Lewiston, Monday.

Mr. T. B. Burk was the guest of Mr. A. N. Twitchell in Gorham, Saturday.

Road breakers were busy the first of the week breaking roads all over town.

Mr. Louis Van Den Kerkhoven has completed his duties as clerk in J. P. Hatt's store.

Mr. F. E. Hanson was confined to the house a few days last week with a severe cold.

Rev. Charles Easterhouse returned Saturday from a visit with friends in New York City.

Mr. Irving Clark is confined to his home on Main Street. Lester Wood is taking care of him.

Mrs. Addie Kendall Mason is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Smith, West Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dean have returned from Portland where they have been spending a few weeks.

Messrs. A. Van Den Kerkhoven and Wm. G. Holt have been drawn to serve as traverse jurors from Bethel.

The meeting time of the men's gym class has been changed from Monday to Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. John Paton and two children of Bryant Pond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tidwell one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Garry and little daughter of West Sumner were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Forbes.

Mr. S. S. Greenleaf was called to Farmington, Monday, by the death of an aunt, Mrs. Riggs. He made the trip in his motor.

Chills are quite prevalent around town, many people being confined to their homes because of the severeness of the epidemic.

The installation of the officers of Parity Chapter, No. 102, O. E. S., will be held Wednesday evening, Jan. 26, at Masonic Hall.

Sunday's snow storm, accompanied by a high wind, piled the snow up in drifts three to six feet deep. About ten inches of snow fell.

Mrs. Eugene C. Vandenbergkhuizen has gone to Lynn, Mass., where she will visit her son, Mr. William Vandenbergkhuizen and wife before going to Brockton, Mass., for a time.

Mr. H. W. Becker was in Lewiston, Friday, to attend a joint installation of the officers of Hamlin Hospital Camp, No. 2, United Spanish War Veterans, and the Van Dyke Auxiliary.

A chimney fire at the home of W. F. Clark on Mason Street, recently, did considerable damage, filling the house with smoke. It was necessary to use several fire extinguishers before the fire was put out.

The carpenter work on Arthur Herriek's home on Vernon Street is nearly completed. Painting and papering will be started next week. The house will be ready for occupancy about the middle of February.

The annual Y. M. C. A. carnival will be held the latter part of February. Plans are under way to make this carnival larger and better than those held in past years. The date will be announced later.

Roy Harris passed away Tuesday afternoon at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. George Becker, on the Middle Intervale road. He was about fourteen years of age and had made his home with his grandmother for several years. He has always been in frail health and since Christmas he has failed rapidly. Funeral services will be held from his late home on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock. The remains will be placed in the tomb.

GRANGE NEWS

OXFORD POMONA

The first meeting of the New Year was held at Norway, Tuesday, January 4. As it is customary to meet there at that time, there is always a good attendance. All officers were in their chairs promptly at the opening hour.

It was voted to send the Lecturer to the Lecturers' Conference at Waterville, Jan. 20th. After the usual order of business, the committee on credentials reported four candidates, who were instructed in the fifth degree.

A fine dinner was served at noon, the excellence of which was very evident by the amount of food consumed.

The afternoon session opened with the census of granges and was as follows: Helron, 6; South Paris, 42; Norway, 56; Oxford, 3; Bethel, 3; Bear Mountain, 7; Franklin, 11; Pleasant Valley, 2; Round Mountain, 2; Bear River, 5; West Paris, 7; Crooked River, 6.

The meeting was then declared an open session, and the Lecturer presented the following programme:

Singing, Marching through Georgia. All Address of Welcome, Rev. Mr. Pearson of Norway Grange

Response, L. E. McIntire Instrumental music, with voices, Melodie Dunham with Cherry Noble at the piano

Next the speaker of the day was introduced, Gracie Cornish, the Secretary of the State Board of Charities and Corrections. He gave a very clear idea of the number and work of the State Institutions, also descriptions of some of the ways children had been helped. This was greatly enjoyed by all and a rising vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Cornish.

Piano Solo with voice, Cota Frost Recitation and encore, Oscar Richardson

Stunt, conducted by the Lecturer of Norway Grange, Mrs. Knightly Talk on Club Work, Sister Knightly Instrumental music, Melodie Dunham Reading with voice, A. E. Morse

Proceeded to close in prayer. Next meeting to be with Franklin Grange, Tuesday, Feb. 1.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE

An all day meeting was held Saturday for the purpose of installing the officers for 1927, with Brother J. H. Martin as installing officer, assisted by Fred Wright.

Master—Ernest Holt Overseer—F. L. French Lecturer—Ida Wright

Steward—Arthur Starnes Chaplain—Nellie Chapman Secretary—L. E. Wright Treasurer—C. P. Saunders

A. S.—George Barlow G. K.—Eva Chapman Ceres—Nellie Holt Flora—Una Starnes

Pomona—Carrie French L. A. S.—Catherine Hutchins Literary program:

Song, Star Spangled Banner Reading, encore, Gertrude Chapman Reading, encore, Doris Martin Instrumental music, violin, with Sister French at the piano

Madeline Brink, Daniel Wright Remarks by Mr. Haldrup Reading, Madeline Brink Reading, Daniel Wright

Reading, encore, Gerrie Wright Remarks by Brother A. T. Powers Instrumental music, violin and piano, Daniel Wright, Madeline Brink

Remarks by Brother Martin Story, Mr. Haldrup An oyster stew and poetry dinner was enjoyed by all. A communication announcing the Lecturer's Conference at Waterville, Jan. 20 and 21, was read, and an motion Grange voted to send Lecturer and pay expenses.

SKILLINGTON

Mrs. Alice Ordway of West Bethel was a guest at Mrs. Charles Treacy's one day last week.

Mr. Albert E. Flanders has employment at the Howell mill at West Bethel.

Miss Betty Brunne spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dean. Mr. Albert Skillings has been harvesting his be during the past week.

Barbara Hutchinson was a week end guest of Elton Lyon.

Joseph Baker of Newry was a visitor at L. McAllister's, recently.

Repairs on Maple Inn are nearly completed. Steel ceilings have been put in the office, dining room and kitchen. The third floor has been completely renovated and the whole house, inside, is to be repapered, painted, and new furniture will be added to take the place of that destroyed in the fire last fall. It is expected that the work will be completed and the house opened to the public again about February first.

The AMERICAN LEGION

(Copy for This Department Furnished by the American Legion News Service.)

AUXILIARY LEADER IS GOOD MANAGER

She had learned how to "run things." In the good old homely phrase of the ranch and farm, and how to "keep them running." That was why the American Legion Auxiliary put Mrs. Eliza London Shepard in charge of the destinies of its 4,000 units and more than 200,000 members when the great battle of the ballots was on at the national convention at Omaha.

For if there was any one thing which Mrs. Shepard had learned better than any other, it was precisely that—to "run things." As business manager and buffer par excellence between her younger author brother, Jack London, and the outside world with all its distractions and worries, Mrs. Shepard had had long and varied experience in that most important function.

While Jack was writing strong, virile tales without number, it was Mrs. Shepard who stood on guard always to see that none of his restless energy was turned aside from its purpose, by her adroit management it was confined to the one purpose of the writer. All the intricate problems of managing a ranch with their consequent worries



Mrs. Eliza London Shepard.

and interruptions to her brother's genius were carefully fenced from him by the ever watchful, ever capable sister, the new national president of the American Legion Auxiliary.

In the "Valley of the Moon" at Glen Ellen, Cal., some of London's well-known novel of that name, is Mrs. Shepard's ranch home. There she has lived with Mrs. Harlan Kirtland, London's brother's widow, and now and then the London ranch shows her brother's death. A lawyer by profession, Mrs. Shepard has experienced more of that sense of being over-whelmed in the confusion of law and order and taxes which is so often the lot of women who own and manage property.

In the midst of these activities, Mrs. Shepard has found time to take an energetic part in the real work of women's patriotic organizations. She is a past department president of the California department of the Legion Auxiliary and a past national executive committee woman. She has been a member of the Women's Relief Corps for 25 years. She was secretary of this auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic for two terms, and was also department president. Her father and her husband were both soldiers in the Civil war and members of the same post of the Grand Army. Her son served in the World War.

Two Experienced Men

Head War Department

The War department of the United States has two distinguished soldiers at its head. They are Secretary of War Dwight F. Davis, D. S. C., and Assistant Secretary of War Harlan D. MacNider, D. S. C.

Both of these American Legionnaires recently appointed to their high positions by President Coolidge won the coveted Distinguished Service Cross in the mud and blood of the trenches.

Secretary Davis won his cross as a major with the Third division in France. Assistant Secretary MacNider won his cross while a major serving with the Second division at Chateau Thierry and the Argonne. He is also a chevalier of the Legion of Honor and has the Croix de Guerre.

The war record of both Davis and MacNider is impressive. With a background of National Guard service, both started their army life as high privates, and emerged from the World War as lieutenant colonels. High rank won in the blaze of battle.

Both are Harvard graduates. Davis is the class of 1900 and MacNider in the class of 1911.

Since the war these distinguished soldiers have kept in touch with their comrades through affiliation with the American Legion. MacNider was United National commander of the Legion at Kansas City in 1921. Secretary Davis, whose home is in St. Louis, Mo., was instrumental in the formation of St. Louis Post No. 4 of the Legion in 1919. He has maintained a keen interest in the affairs of the Legion since its inception.

FARM POULTRY

PLAN TO PRODUCE STRONG CHICKS

The condition and health of the parent stock largely determine the condition and health of the offspring. No question is more important than that of constitutional vigor.

The actions of the fowl indicate to a considerable extent its physical condition. A weak bird is usually inactive and droopy. It does not scratch or forage actively. The loudness and frequency of the crow of the male and the cackle of the female are indications of strength. The large, bright comb and wattles indicate health. The eye is the mirror of the body and is a good indication of either health or disease. The healthy fowl having a good, bright, clear eye, while the diseased bird's eyes droop and present a gloomy appearance.

The brightness and brilliancy of the plumage are indications of constitutional vigor. Feather on a fowl of low vigor usually grow slowly and appear to be dull and ruffled, as compared with the close-fitting, smooth, fully developed, bright plumage of the vigorous fowl. The strong bird also has a good appetite and a large crop.

The causes of loss of vigor may be summed up as follows:

First—Inbreeding without knowledge of the principles of breeding. Poultry raisers sometimes have a bird with exceptionally fine plumage, and for that reason mate the bird in their breeding pens regardless of its vigor or its relation to other birds in the same pen. There is a distinction between this breeding and inbreeding.

Second—Use of pullets and immature male birds. As a rule, pullets lay more eggs than hens, yet it has been proven by experiments that the chicks from hens are larger when hatched and that they mature more quickly and produce stronger and more vigorous specimens than those hatched from pullets. A half grown cocker should never be used for breeding purposes.

Third—Increased egg production. Forcing fowls to lay by continuous feeding heavy, rich foods tends upon the health of the females and often injures their breeding qualities.

Fourth—Crowding. Poultry raisers make a mistake too often of crowding a great number of birds into small quarters, and then expecting the best results from the flock.

Fifth—Lack of exercise. If strong, healthy chicks are desired, the fowls in the breeding flock must be required to exercise by being forced to search for part of their food in a field, or by being given plenty of range.

Sixth—Care of eggs for hatching. Eggs for hatching are often kept in places that are too hot or too cold. Clean nests should be provided, and eggs gathered daily and kept in a temperature of from 50 to 55 degrees and not held more than ten days before being set.

Seventh—Improper incubation. An incubator which cannot be regulated with any degree of satisfaction, which lacks its proper provision for both ventilation and moisture, which is first too hot and then too cold, should not be used. The yolk of the egg is weakened so that it cannot free itself from the shell, and the chicks which hatch are poor and sickly, either dying in less than two weeks after hatching or having very low vigor.

Eighth—Immature quarters. Where the poultry house is allowed to become filled with filth, lice and mites, which work the life blood from the fowls, chickens cannot be strong and healthy.

Ninth—Inferior breeding stock. No one should attempt to raise chicks from drones, from birds that are not true to type, from birds that have been seriously sick with some disease, if he expects to be successful in the poultry business. All these things can and should be avoided.

Tenth—Breeding from a flock indiscriminately. Many flocks contain a great many birds which lay only during the spring season. Breeding should be done with birds which are known to be good winter layers—T. W. Soiland, Director, Missouri State Poultry Experiment Station, Mountain Grove.

POULTRY NOTES

A farm without poultry is a financial mistake.

A turkey hen can cover from fifteen to twenty eggs during incubation.

Raising geese, exclusively, would hardly be found profitable. The best season to rear them, lasting only about two months.

Without a good comb before them all the time your hens will fall short in egg production.

The free use of kerosene or crude oil on the nest will help to exterminate mites.

Watch for any bad habits among your fowls. If you and any broken egg shells around the flock, make an effort to locate the guilty one and try to break up the habit or dispose of the offender.

FARM STOCK

PROPER FEEDS FOR FATTENING CATTLE

Cottonseed meal may be used profitably in the fattening of beef cattle for market, and only fat cattle will pay returns to the feeder.

"In feeding beef cattle, we must take advantage of certain facts, then give attention to the details," says Prof. H. S. Curtis of the animal husbandry department at the North Carolina State college. "One of these facts is that the staple fattening food for beef cattle is a nitrogenous one which normally produces growth rather than fat. But this cottonseed meal is a good fat producer if fed properly, and from 15 to 25 per cent of its fertilizing value is incorporated in the mixture. The other fact is that to sell beef cattle profitably, they must be fat."

Professor Curtis states that people do not like fat beef and sometimes compel the butcher to trim off part of the fat; yet, the fact remains that to properly condition a beef animal, he must be fat, and naturally there is some surplus deposited in certain places, as over the back, the ribs and intestines. This is nature's way.

A steer may be put in condition by using cottonseed meal as the concentrate. The steer must never be allowed to get off feed but should be started off on one pound of cottonseed meal per day, supplemented by all the roughage he will consume. Professor Curtis points out that cattle have four stomachs, and if they are to get everything out of their feed, there must be a sufficient amount of roughage to fill the stomach reasonably full each day.

Professor Curtis suggests that one pound of cottonseed meal be used with five pounds of hulls or more to start with. Gradually increase this amount of cottonseed meal during a 30-day period until each animal is getting one pound of the meal to each 100 pounds of live weight. This can easily be figured out and the increase made gradually about two or three times each week until the full amount is being fed. Steers should be fed twice each day and the troughs kept clean and sweet.

Science of Animal Feed

Promises Some Changes

In addition to the question of climate, there is still another point which comes to the mind of animal feeders which promises to bring about some radical changes in our feed practices. It has been known for many years that the feeding of cereal grains and other substances low in mineral matter or low in iron was not only unprofitable but in many cases was dangerous. Very little thought was given to this question, but of late years the conclusion has been reached by the feeding nutrition experts that this was due to the low mineral matter or iron content of such feeds. Practically all grains and cereals, except feed, are low in mineral matter or iron, while the feeds which are unusually rich in these elements are the fact that protein feeds have met with such universal success in the usual feeding ration.

Corn Meal Found to Be Satisfactory for Calf

Corn meal has been found to be a satisfactory grain to use in raising calves and calves. As the calves approach weaning time this should be changed to a mixture of corn, oats and bran. Some oil meal can be added, if more protein is needed. The change of grains is to supply the protein which was supplied by the skim milk.

Calves will begin to eat hay about as soon as they begin to eat grain, and must be taken in feeding clover or alfalfa that it does not produce scours. If any indication of scours appears, the amount should be limited. Some prefer to feed calves on timothy or some other hay of that character.

Live Stock Items

Sheep require some kind of a good feed more than other stock.

The older the hog gets the more it eats to put a pound of meat on it.

Proper attention to sanitation with farm animals will prevent many losses.

English hogs tend more to the bacon type than do those raised in America.

The growing pig should be fed at least 2 per cent less than weight in grain, daily.

One of the easiest ways to suffer a horse is to compel him to stand on a plank floor when not at work.

Get a start with pure breeds now. They may cost a little more but they are worth it, and then some.

London should be checked when they are used in the feeding of calves. Some use feeding calves which are tested to have been and the fact is that the calves are not as good as the ones that are not tested.

The families of Randall Herrick and Arthur Buck are ill with the prevailing epidemic and have a nurse.

The old fashioned snow storm Sunday detained many people at home. There were no services at the Universalist church during the day and evening. Some of the teachers at home for the week end did not return to their schools until Tuesday.

Shirley Welch, who has been very ill during the past week, is slightly improved.

A supper was served in the assembly room at the school building Thursday evening, for the benefit of the Athletic Association. The supper was well patronized, and a good company enjoyed the social in the evening.

Rev. Elmer B. Forbes was called to Buckfield, Friday, to officiate at a funeral. She returned Saturday.

News has been received here of the death of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stevens of Gorham, N. H., during the past week will be remembered by old residents from pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens of the village, as they resided here for several years when Mr. Stevens was engineer on the engine stationed here to assist heavy freight trains in the grade between here and Bryant's Pond. Mr. Stevens took the buildings now owned by the heirs of Mrs. Gertrude Vege.

The officers of Hanchester Post, Daughters of Union Veterans, were installed by Mrs. Bertha Noyes of Norway Monday evening.

Mrs. Jessie Ross Weston and little son from Chatham, N. Y., are with Mrs. Ida Jacobs and other relatives here.

Mrs. Ruth Pevine and daughter, Louise, who are spending the winter at Auburn, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gay A. Smith.

Pupils who received 100 per cent in spelling during the week of Jan. 10: Grade 3, Gladstone Ring, Gertrude Mann, Phyllis Welch; Grade 4, Enni Linnamäe, Myrtle Emery, Robert Johnson.

Those receiving 100 per cent in spelling for the week of Jan. 10: Grade 2, Stanley Farrar; Grade 1, Leo Estes, Kathryn Perham, Helen Linnamäe, Wai na Saarinen, Ellis Cummings.

The following are on the honor roll in singing: Helen Emery, Stanley Farrar, Helen Linnamäe, Helen Johnson.

NEW ENGLAND MILK PRODUCTION REACHES LOW POINT OF YEAR

Reports from across New England indicate that the milk production for the month of December was lower than for any previous month during 1926, according to a statement issued recently by the New England Milk Producers' Association. The average daily milk production per cow for all states in the New England group for all months in 1926 was 14.77 pounds compared with 15.70 pounds a month ago, 15.99 pounds on December 1, 1925 and 15.50 pounds two years ago. Unseasonable fall weather in 1925 had a marked effect on averages for the average of the year while in 1926 the milk prices were checked by the fact that the average of the year was higher than that of November, 1925 and 1926 while most grain prices continued lower than during the two previous years.

Per New England average daily milk production on December 1 was 13.75 higher than a year ago, 1.15 higher in Maine, 1.94 in New Hampshire, 6.44 in Vermont, 10.64 in Massachusetts, and 10.04 lower than last year in Rhode Island and 8.50 lower in Connecticut. Total milk production would show little change from a year ago for New England as a whole, the higher average milk production being offset by the decline in numbers of cows during the past year.

Dry cows for New England as reported on December 1 were 21.02 of all cows compared with 22.14 a year ago and 20.92 two years ago. Percentages of all cows dry range from 17.44 in Massachusetts where numbers of cows dry show little variation from month to month to 26.74 in Vermont where dry cows are beginning to approach the peak of their seasonal movement.

According to the current Monthly Letter of the New England Milk Producers' Association the net price of all milk for November was \$2.83 per hundred pounds, compared with \$2.83 for November a year ago and \$2.66 the five year average 1920-1924. Again as in 1925 November milk brought the highest prices of the year. Grain prices remain favorable to milk production with corn meal 16 cents lower than a year ago, gluten feed 23 cents lower, cottonseed meal 33 cents, ground oats 3 cents and wheat bran 10 cents. Linseed oil meal on the other hand is 9 cents higher than last year. Butter prices are now considerably above the level of last year. Boston prices for 92 score butter on December 24 were reported at 52 cents per pound, 4 cents above those of a year ago.

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Middle Intervale Road

Mrs. Laura Roberts from China is spending a few days at her brother's, C. A. Capen's.

Miss Mollie Stanley was at Locke's

Mills one day last week. Mrs. Mary J. Capen is visiting at her old home.

Mr. Harold Bartlett is hauling Chas. Capen's pulp to the river bank.

Mr. Leslie Davis is sawing and yarding birch on the Russell place which he purchased.

Walter Valentine is cutting wood for Elmer Trask.

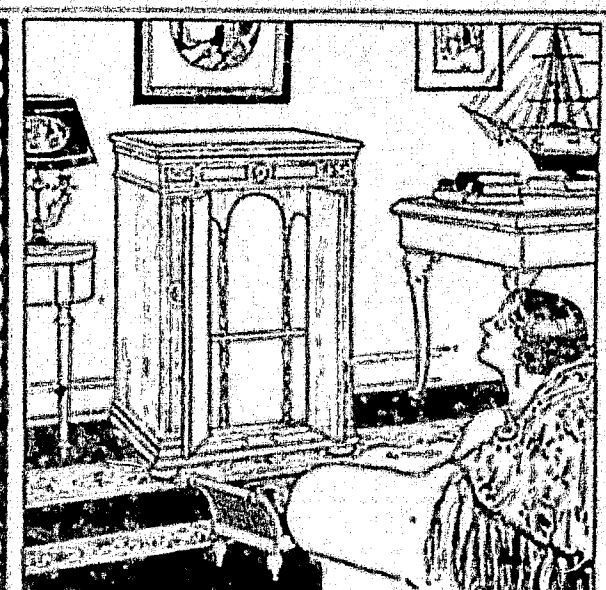
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BLOUSE FOR SPORTSWEAR; SHORT JACKET ENSEMBLE

SENTENCED to wear stripes! It is the verdict of the mode. The design issues from the highest style courts. So it's the wearin' o' stripes for women of fashion for the coming year of spring and summer.

The newer materials, silks, cottons and wools, all exhibit stripes—stripes of color, stripes of texture, stripes of pattern, and of exceptional novelty. It is well, therefore, when choosing the fabric for your spring frock or blouse, to keep in mind that stripes are "it," especially those that run in a horizontal way.

The subject of stripes, as interpreted in the spring fabric showings, is an inexhaustible one. They include

Nearly every counter in Paris is exploiting the short jacket design for midseason and early spring. For immediate wear the velvet jacket with wool checks or plaid for the skirt is the outstanding idea. So interesting have become costumes of skirt and jacket become, Paris predicts a tremendous vogue for them with the arrival of spring.

Appropriate for the present is the velvet jacket with contrasting skirt, and for later on satin is appointed to take its place. Types such as are shown in the picture are being highlighted by Parisian stylists. Seen at Longchamp was this sports tailor of



Blouse of Striped Flannel.

men and wide versions, definite and definite types, pastel or vivid tones, all the very latest in color coloring. Effectiveness of the new striping is largely due to the artful blending or contrasting of color. Exquisite combinations such as rose, brown, tan and cream or perhaps Madonna blue, beige and old rose compete with brilliant Roman stripes and the last word in startling effects is for bright yellow, greens, blues and reds variously mixed on a white background.

For spring the blouse of striped flannel will pose over a skirt of the same material in solid coloring. The picture shows the result of the combination of a striped and plain fabric. Tan, brown and red-striped flannel for the blouse with plain tan flannel makes this smart sports frock. Notice

black skirt shown to the left. The jacket is cut along very soft and feminizing lines. The fact that the skirt is enriched with bands of velvet, shows how loathe is the designer to absent this beloved fabric from the style program. Which leads to an interesting bit of information, namely that midseason frocks of both cloth and silk retain velvet as a trimming.

Navy blue anode cloth is the chosen medium for the jacket pictured to the right. Here, too, is the trend of the vogue foreseen, for navy blue is down on the calendar of coming color events. The skirt is plaited in navy and beige.

Modesty carries out the jacket costume in velvet-lined overcoat worn in matching color for the skirt, adding



Two Paris Offerings.

At the first glance, however, which is the fashionable thing for them to wear. The new materials tend them to this horizontal design, in that the stripes are woven across the width of this season's piece goods.

Of outstanding interest are stripes placed in groups of three on cashmere blends in pure silk interweavings.

Striped suitcases subscribe to the new mode, and the latest glasses are also striped—which all goes to show the prevalent role stripes are playing in the season's fashions.

QUIT THE BARGAIN COUNTERS

By HENRY AARONS

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"ANNABEL, dear, I—I prefer to buy my own things—I—"

"Harry! After I thought I was giving you such a nice surprise—"

Here the pretty face of the three-months' bride buried itself in a handkerchief, and was the next instant transferred to the coat collar of the remorseful young husband, who after restoring peace and harmony, gave one rueful glance at the collection of misfit underwear, out-of-date neckties, rainbow-hued socks, and fled.

Annabel had really given her husband a surprise, but not the "nice" one she expected. She had developed a bad case of the bargain counter malady, and had brought home such delectable cheap things for her darling Harry, she believed he would be delighted at her economical foresight. But the underwear was two sizes too small, and the kind he never wore. He abhorred green socks, and that color in ties was frightfully unbecoming to him.

Mrs. Harrie put away the offending purchases, and concluded Harry was just a bit out of humor.

The next time she struck a bargain counter of men's furnishings, she couldn't resist buying something more for Harry. This time she knew he would be pleased. But he wasn't. He gently but firmly tried to make her promise not to do it any more.

"I just believe if you had married Mamie Beck instead of me, you'd have liked what she bought for you," pouted Annabel.

"Mamie Beck?" snorted Harrie. "I never thought of marrying her."

"Oh yes, you did, and you wouldn't have found fault with any nice little thing she wanted to do for you?"

Whereat there had to be more overture of reconciliation, and again Harrie fled from the bargain display including terrible pink shirts with reversible cuffs, and wondered what could be done to reform Annabel.

He loved his affectionate little wife, and was unselfish enough to stand considerable discomfort rather than make her unhappy; but his salary was only a moderate one, and the waste of money in buying useless articles was something that must be seriously considered.

Once when he had remonstrated with her, she had said: "But I don't buy anything for myself, dear," and he had answered: "Well, I wish you would," she had taken it for his selfishness instead of the sarcasm he had meant. So what was to be done? Annabel seemed to be devoid of sense of humor, but she was so sweet and dear in her well-meant expenditure for him, and never extravagant for herself, he didn't know how to meet the situation.

On the arrival of the fourth bargain counter consignment Harrie felt that the time had come for a decided stand. The result was a quarrel which grew to such alarming proportions that Annabel insisted he was still in love with Mamie Beck, and finally declared her intention of getting a divorce.

Harrie hung out of the house, completely plumped, and thoroughly miserable. He felt he could no longer stand his wife's unreasonable folly. He could not live with her—and he was forced to confess he could not live without her. He walked wildly, irresponsibly down the street.

All at once he found himself face to face with Mamie Beck. She noticed the white, set face, and though he made an effort to go on, she detained him.

"Harry, what is the matter?" she asked.

"Why, nothing," was the evasive answer.

"Yes, there is. Can't I help you?"

The question was an odd one, of good, wholesome sympathy. It began to melt the barriers he had set up between them. He had not meant anyone should know, but the desire to be understood, when a soul is struggling in deep water, is often so strong as to sweep away the bars of discretion. Harrie let her know something of the reason for his unhappiness.

"Come home with me. Let us talk it over," she said.

The two walked on for several blocks and entered Mamie Beck's home.

Meanwhile Annabel, the moment Harrie had left the house, had felt a sudden pang of remorse, and determined to dry her eyes, rush out, and get something she knew Harry especially liked for dinner. She meant to have it all ready for him when he came back, and to try to make amends for what she had said. She dressed, and started for the shop to make her purchases. Thank heaven there was no bargain counter there! Turning a corner, she gave a start. There was her husband with Mamie Beck, the two walking slowly, in earnest conversation. They were on the opposite side of the street, and they did not see her. She found herself following them. It was not a fine thing to do. But was it not his wife? That seemed to her to excuse it all.

She saw them enter Mamie Beck's home. This time was the solution! He did care for this other woman! He was tired of her so soon! Not yet married five months, and it was all over, the happiness, the love upon

which she had built such wonderful castles of delight!

She did not go to the shop. What was the use? He might not even come home to dinner. She went back, flung herself down, and wept and sobbed as never had she done before.

After a time she heard his latchkey in the door. She rose quickly and tried to bathe away the traces of her tears. She did not mean he should see how she had suffered, or that she had seen him with Mamie Beck. She meant to find out how far things had gone. If she could prove that he did love this other woman she would have good grounds for a divorce! It seemed now to mean the wrecking of her whole life!

She met her husband with an icy reserve that left him very little opportunity for attempts at reconciliation. The next morning, having thawed a little, he met her more than half way. But as fate or some other psychological factor would have it, that very day she again saw Harry with Mamie Beck. They stood outside of a shop, and oh, horrors! she saw him hand her money. There was no mistaking it for Mamie opened her purse and put it in, and both laughed heartily as they parted.

No wonder she, his wife, was heartened for spending foolishly when he was giving money to other women.

That evening Harry met his wife more affectionately than ever. He had a nice little surprise for her, and he opened a parcel he had brought in. He proudly displayed a purple shirt-waist about two years out of date, a pair of cheap, yellow silk stockings several sizes too large, and a petticoat built for a miss of fourteen.

He tried to preserve a strictly neutral exterior as he noted the look of dismay with which Annabel surveyed the articles.

"Get them so cheap, dear, I couldn't resist buying them. I hope you like the things. I had an awful time getting them, there was such a mob of women. But you see I did think of you!"

"Harry Harrie! You know I never wear purple!" cried Annabel.

"Oh, don't you?" he responded with a carefully assumed innocent surprise.

"And these stockings! Do you think I wear a number nine shoe?"

"They are a trifle large, aren't they?"

"A man never knows about such things. Please don't buy anything more."

It was Harrie's turn to put on the hurt air, which he did with all due elaboration. Annabel certainly was devoid of a sense of humor. Nevertheless about two days later he appeared before his astonished wife with a pair of over-sized gloves, and a hat of the vintage of 1910, which he told Annabel he had bought for her for next to nothing.

This was the last straw. Annabel overtook with indignation.

"I see it all!" she stormed. "You want to make a perfect fright of me so people will sympathize with you for being tied up to such a tramp, and so you can get a divorce and marry Mamie Beck!"

Harrie's face expressed utter despair. This time not all assumed. His trump card had failed.

"Well, I thought I was pleasing you," he said disconsolately. "I suppose if you had married Tom Bennett you'd have liked what he bought for you."

His retort was so nearly identical with her own on a previous occasion that suddenly a light seemed to break in on her.

"Did he really care for her? But what about Mamie Beck, and what she had seen with her own eyes?"

"Look here!" she cried. "You never bought such atrocious things as these! You couldn't have bought them in a day's journey! You just got someone to do it!"

"Yes, I did."

"Was it Mamie Beck?"

"Yes."

"And you went and told her every thing?"

"Listen, dear! It was all accidental. We met on the street. She saw how miserable I looked, and how it hurt her. She only wanted to help to help again."

"The explanation was dry and deathly."

"Look here, Annabel! Everything she said and did was false."

"For my good?"

Something like that ending scene of Luther began to twitch the corners of her mouth.

"Well, guess she was right," said Annabel. "Ask her to dinner tomorrow. It is no more bargain counters for me, baby, if you'll swear off."

The compact was not signed in words, but something much more expressive.

Pertinent Comment

Victorians Actor, in the famous "Mother Love" interview to New York, said her respects to Paris.

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If a woman is fairly well to try to persuade herself that she has a class about her.

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THE J. E. JONES LETTER

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owned, but Governmentally regulated, operation in manufacture and distribution.

Environment officials insist that they had made remarkably satisfactory progress in prohibition enforcement in every way except with reference to the small bootleggers, who make the rotten and dangerous booze, and the home brew folks who convert their own beverages. That is to say, run-runners on the railroad, and the large manufacturers and private individuals who have been manufacturing quantities of liquor have been satisfactorily "regulated."

STECK'S CHIEF BREAK
Senator Steck of Iowa, put himself in date by peddling the yarn to the Senate that Senator-elect Brookhart was a "paid lobbyist" in behalf of the prohibition of liquor. An investigation of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Immunities, however, has developed that there was nothing to the charge.

Brookhart and Steck have been political enemies in Iowa, and Brookhart will be Senator from that State to succeed Steck on March 4. Steck unseated Brookhart a few months ago, and just to show what they thought of it the Iowa voters gave Brookhart a splendid endorsement at the polls at the last election. Steck has shown his disposition to play small politics, and he has been properly spanked for his indifference. It is a small matter but it shows that small politicians sometimes break into large bodies and do small things.

WORLD HAS 6000 EARTHQUAKES YEARLY

The statement that American orphanages and school buildings in Russian Armenia were wrecked by a series of 103 separate earthquake shocks, occurring at varying intervals over a period of nearly two months, has led many people to wonder whether earthquakes were rapidly increasing in number and violence throughout the world.

An answer to this question has been given to the Near East Relief by Dr. Robert Todd of the Georgetown University Observatory. He asserts that the earth is not shaking any more than it used to, but people are noticing it more. The annual average of earthquakes, as shown by the seismological observations throughout the world, is about 2,000, of which more than half occur beneath the sea and are not perceptible to human beings anywhere. Shocks of sufficient violence to be felt by civilized people occur somewhere in the world about once in five days.

The earthquake in Armenia is regarded by seismologists as a "major disturbance," and therefore would naturally be followed by a long series of subsidiary tremors. It was unfortunate for the American relief organization that the very heart of this particular quake was at the center of their great earthquake campus in central Armenia. Loss to the American earthquake fund is estimated at \$200,000, for which great contributions are now being sought in America.

HOLDERS MONUMENT IN EUROPE
The American Battle Monument Commission is making plans to erect eight obelisks and fourteen monuments in the countries where American war dead have died, at a cost of two million dollars. The program is for European countries.

RADIO REGULATION
The fight as to the form of radio regulation continues in Congress. Meanwhile the press is getting thicker in the night out, and only a persistent determination of some members to the Senate and House can straighten out the pending legislation, and this is necessary to save the bill from being passed.

INTERNAL DISARMEMENTS
The Senate has the necessary part, and several other international matters to be considered. As usual, they are just about as usual, and are not doing an extraordinary amount of work. The preparation is up to date, and more money to meet the annual check budget.

MAY BE LOWER PORTAGE
There is a powerful movement to lower the portage rate on the Great Lakes. The rate is now 10 cents per ton, and it is proposed to reduce it to 5 cents. This would be a great benefit to the shipping industry, and it is hoped that the Senate will pass the bill.

THE ADVERTISING RUFF
The advertising industry is making a great deal of money, and it is hoped that the Senate will pass the bill. The industry is making a great deal of money, and it is hoped that the Senate will pass the bill.

INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS
The development of electricity has become a great national institution, and it is hoped that the Senate will pass the bill. The industry is making a great deal of money, and it is hoped that the Senate will pass the bill.

MY NEW YEAR

MAY, CAN, MUST, WOULD

By Rev. R. T. Achenbach

I may. High permission is granted me to be and become and accomplish. I live in a world of the unexplored, much awaits my curiosity. I live in a world of the unknown, much awaits my effort. Eye hath not seen nor ear heard nor the scales of human apprehension weighed the radiance, the beauty, the worth that call to my powers. Somewhere in the field of my soul or the soul of another the treasure is hidden. The merchant within me or within another has a pearl of great price in prospect. But many are the checks in my seeking. Nomenclature and cannot would deny me my privilege as a seeker in the kingdom of gems and pearls. But the unfettered part within me rises up and cries, Mine is the privilege God gives His children to find and to bring to pass. I may.

I can. It is for the disciple to make reply, "I am able," when the challenge in valor comes. When others say, "We are not able," it is for the tried and true to plead, "We are well able." I will be allied with those who are possessed with the courage and the will to achieve. Lord, lead my heart of all compasses when the dwelling places of Amek, the Hittite, the Jebusite, the Amorite and the Canaanite are noted. Let these live where they may. I live also, and Christ liveth in me. I will believe the report of spies, men who have seen and heard, but I refuse to believe it as only evil. I will with clear eyes see the giants that threaten, but I will not blind my eyes by sight of them in the beauty and riches of the land which is given me that I may possess it. I will trust my God-filled heart to win over the giants and to enter the land of promise. "I can do all things in him that strengtheneth me."

I must. My Master and all who have wrought nobly command me to the life of obligation. "All that the Lord speaketh, that must I do,"—so would I join with Balaam of old in answer to my Master who advises my neutrality. "I must also be home," so would I join with Paul as I conceive of the wide world's need of the gospel treasures in my heart. "We must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day."—This would I repeat with my Master as I feel the urgency of my life work. "He must needs go through harnass," in such manner would I speak when distrust or whim or bigotry would fain block a course I should pursue and send me by a way unprofitable. Within me I feel the "temporal" of the direct road. Lord, when I am tempted to make a journey round about with genial companions, fearful of being settled by Samaritan reproach, help me to take counsel of the necessity laid upon me by Christ's high calling, and to travel with strong strides straight north. Then mayhap I will have a waiting opportunity at some Samaritan's well. And is the proclamation of the gospel to all my fellow-men a matter of choice to me? When I feel the universal Christ within my soul, I resist of giving His gospel any limitation. My Master would have me to be done and He decline world scope to His peace and joy and good will. "I must preach the good tidings to the other also," let such be the sign of my Master. I must.

I would. How large a field of life is the field of the unrealized. After all, my weaknesses sometimes make me pass by my privileges. I may become or do, but I am induced to inaction. After all, my heart, when entertaining in every spirit, will sometimes win in debate with my complacency. I can, but suffer handicaps to block me. After all, the urge of necessity within me.

The hands of centralized financial interests operating from New York, Chicago, Birmingham, San Francisco and the larger cities. Secretary Herbert Hoover, who knows the ablest of power transactions, says that such state should work to control its power as far as possible. He points out the danger of monopolies linking the producing states to many states into single distribution systems. Of course the solution is to break that monopoly, whether Mr. Hoover says so, or not. Most people believe the monopoly is all right, and there is a general feeling that the post war adjustment should increase the monopoly to keep up with the growth of interstate transportation of power generated by steam and water.

THE McFADDEN BILL
National banking interests are busy moving their battle on Congress for the passage of the McFadden banking bill, the principal provision of which will exempt the bankers to put on more branches. Out of the discussion of the McFadden bill it develops that where as in 1924 the proportion of National banking resources in the entire banking resources of the country was forty-eight per cent, it is now forty-six per cent. Figuring out the savings banks the National banking resources dropped down to thirty-nine per cent. Hence, the bill will in effect of the National

MAINE POTATO SHIPMENTS EXPECTED TO TOTAL 40,950 CARS

The final revised estimate of Maine potatoes, field run, in 1926 was 36,830,000 bushels. Of this total production a report last Wednesday by the New England Crop Reporting Service, at Wakefield, Mass., indicates that 73.3%, or 27,332,000 bushels will be available for shipment as table or seed stock. The average number of bushels shipped a car for the season seems closely related to the price level and trend. The present price situation suggests an average of about 680 bushels per car for the 1926 crop. If present indications become the facts as the season advances and closes this average of 680 bushels per car would mean a total of 40,950 cars available for shipment as table or seed stock.

Usually somewhat less than half of total cars move up to January 1. From the 1925 crop the cars moved to January 1 were 46.6% of the season total and this compares with 38.8% from the 1924 record big crop and 48.0% for the moderate 1923 crop to the same date for those crops. The latest available information is that to January 1, 1927 a total of 19,270 cars from the 1926 crop had moved. This is 47.6% of the indicated season total of 40,950 cars. If these indications prove correct, and if the average car load is 680 bushels there would be 21,650 cars available to go after January 1, 1927. From the

is sometimes dissipated by the dulling power of the last of other things; I must, but the interior claims my ready obedience. The Lord give me pardon and grace for all this and keep my higher intentions. Let my heart engender great purposes. If by any means I am kept from bringing forth to perfection, may it not be because a small nature brought forth small ideas, because a miniature soul was content with miniature horizons, because a trifling mind planned trifling enterprises. With King David of old I would share the Lord's approval of a great proposal when real accomplishment is halted. "Whereas it was in my heart to build a house for my name, then didst thou say that it was in thy heart; nevertheless thou shalt not build the house." I would make my standard that of actual achievement. Grant that I finish what I plan and work upon. But if my powers, limited or broken by adversity, fail me and my work becomes not visible and measurable, may it prove right that I be credited with fine impulse, boundless imagination, ample design. If it never is given me to read a certificate of some noteworthy deed of mine, I will rejoice in having my epitaph read, "This one mightily wanted."

Lord, relieve my sense of the liberty wherewith thou makest me free to ply my task as a workman. Give me the assurance that prompts the triumphant shout, "I can." Well within me, that I may be the agent of their own irresistible impulsion; I would yield to that blessed compulsion. And if I am called upon to look upon a failure of mine, may I see in it, yea, in the very shadow of disappointment it casts over me, my neighbor's will.

On Our BARGAIN TABLE

You Will Find

Men's Sport Jackets
Corduroy Jackets
Were 7.50, NOW 5.00Wool Jackets
Were 5.00 and 6.00, NOW 3.98Cotton Jackets
Were 2.00, NOW 1.50Boys' Sport Jackets
Wool Jackets
Were 3, 3.50, 4, NOW 2.75Men's Sweaters
1 Lt, were 9, 9.50, 10, NOW 7.50
1 Lt, were 8.00, NOW 4.50
1 Lt, 1.19 to close out

NEXT WEEK watch this table for Dry Goods Bargains.

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BETHEL MAINE

GROVER HILL

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